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Central Valley Flood Protection Board Meeting Friday Will Focus on Central Valley Flood Protection Plan

SACRAMENTO -- The Central Valley Flood Protection Board's meeting in Sacramento tomorrow (February 24) will focus on the draft Central Valley Flood Protection Plan. The plan is a systemic approach to improving flood management throughout the Sacramento and San Joaquin valleys.

The afternoon session of the Board's meeting, starting at 1 p.m. in the Resources Building at 1416 Ninth Street, Sacramento, will be dedicated for stakeholders to make recommendations for any topics that the Board should focus on during its review of the Central Valley Flood Protection Plan prior to adoption by the end of June 2012. A copy of the agenda may be downloaded from the Board's website at [\(http://www.cvfpb.ca.gov/\)](http://www.cvfpb.ca.gov/)

The flood plan was developed by the California Department of Water Resources. Tomorrow's meeting will give stakeholders and members of the public an opportunity to provide input on the plan. The afternoon session will also be webcast (see the Board's website for information and a link to register), and those viewing the webcast may submit their comments, in writing, through the Board's website <http://www.cvpfb.ca.gov/CVFPP/index.cfm>, as well as access the flood plan and associated documents.

Jay S. Punia, Board Executive Officer, reported that DWR plans to present a draft version of the flood plan's Draft Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) at the Board's March 23 meeting in Sacramento. That meeting also will be in the Resources Building at 1416 Ninth Street.

To facilitate public input and participation in reviewing the flood plan, Punia announced that the Board is also considering four regional public hearings during April. Dates and locations for these public hearings will be announced during the February 24 meeting. (The finalized dates and times of these meetings will also be posted on the Board's website after the February 24 meeting).